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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Interview Summary April 24, 2007 on the above reference patent application, Applicant gratefully appreciates the courtesy of Examiner Mark R. Milia.

With respect to the present application, Applicant acknowledges that the interview including discussions on amendments made to independent claims 1, 12, 22 and 25. The Examiner stated that the number and order of unique patterns varies, according to a user input value was believed to be disclosed by Crisop. Although the Applicant disagrees with the Examiner, Applicant acknowledged that an amendment, further clarifying the user input value, would be beneficial to the disposition of the case.

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In response to the interview, Applicant has since submitted an amendment, further clarifying the user input value which we believe places the application in condition for allowance.

Examiner/Applicant also discussed the newly added finding term "pattern table". The Applicant believes that the cited art does not disclose or suggest a pattern table. This feature should place independent claims 12, 22 and 25 in condition for allowance. The Examiner stated that he would further consider the concept of a pattern table and that further searching may be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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